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The behavior of the Soviet soldiers in the Hungarian capital has improved lately. They have become more gentle than formerly, and their restrictions on the population has been further curtailed. There is a curfew for them at 9 p. m. This applies even to the officers at large in the city, and if they have no passes, they are taken into custody. The privates are locked up in the barracks and do not receive passes at all. Lately even the officers have been forbidden to wear arms. Only the military patrols and the personnel of the MVD wear arms in public. Even these armed MVD officers try to avoid being conspicuous in restaurants, night clubs, etc. No drunken Soviet soldier or officer can be seen any more.

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